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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Janet L. Andres, Ph.D
Group Art Unit : 1646
Applicants : Pravin Chaturvedi, et al.
Application No.: 09/941,282
Filed : August 28, 2001
For : OPTIMAL COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS THEROF
FOR TREATING HCV INFECTIONS

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1), applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Action dated July 15, 2002. With the extension, a response is due on or before December 15, 2002.

The Director is authorized to charge the requisite fee of \$400.00 that is due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2) to Deposit Account No. 50-0725. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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